

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application in light of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

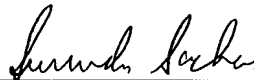
The present changes to the drawings correct informalities and render the drawings consistent with the specification. For example, the "PRIOR ART" label of Figure 12 is clearly erroneous in light of the description at page 7, lines 9-11 of the specification that Figure 12 illustrates a third embodiment of the present invention.

The above changes to the specification likewise correct informalities. No new matter has been added.

Accordingly, examination on the merits is believed to be in order, and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 2, 10, 11b and 12. These sheets, which include Figs. 2, 10, 11b and 12, replace the original sheets including Fig. 2, 10, 11b and 12.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

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FOR: ULTRASONIC PROBE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE PROBE

**LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Alexandria, VA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

☒ 4 Replacement Drawing Sheets

☐ \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets

☐ Official Action dated \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Preliminary Amendment to Application filed February 24, 2004

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

Correction of informalities to render the drawings consistent with the specification.

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